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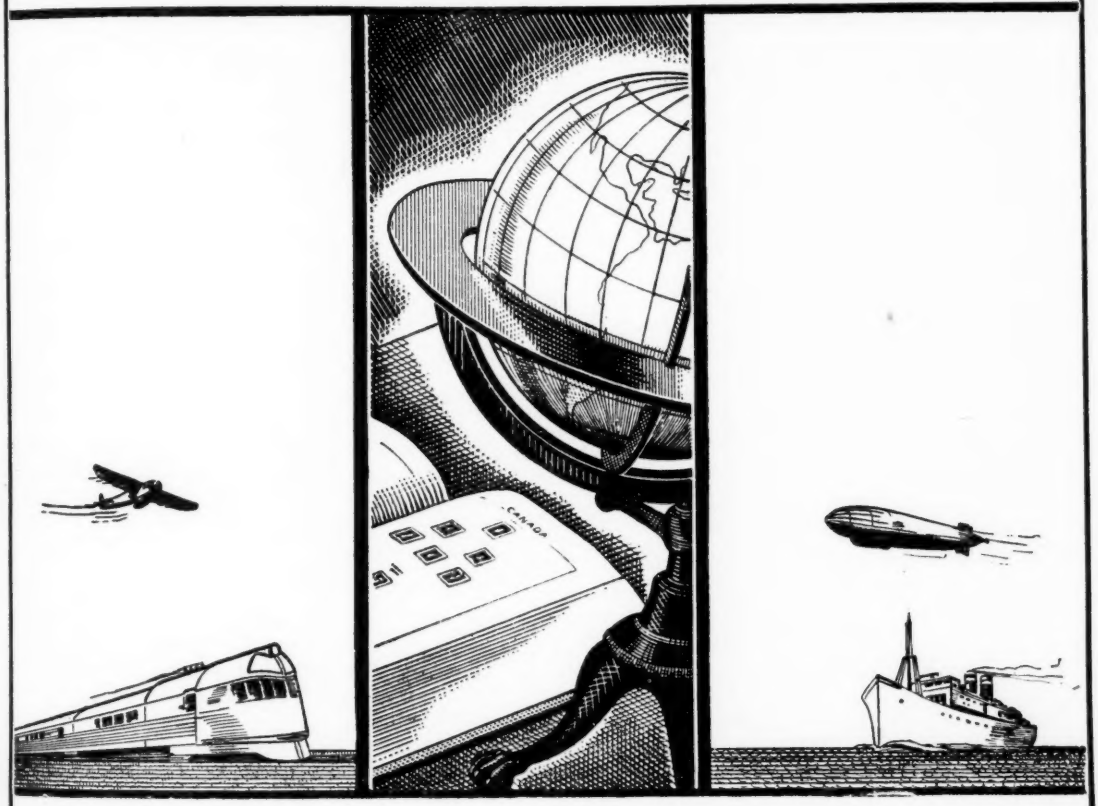

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The Four Best Bets

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FOR the past year or more the American Philatelic press has fairly reeked with articles denouncing the wisdom of speculating with any hope of profit in current United States issues. There can be no denying the truth in the claims of those who decry the speculation in current U. S. With the tendency of the government to print stamps as long as they can be sold and to double the amount of the original number ordered for an issue (as in the case of the Tipex sheets) and with the tendency of the speculator to store away a sheet or more of each issue, as the purse allows, there does not seem to be much hope for any sure profit for the current U.S. speculator.

It is not the intention of this article to review the reasons which have been so well advanced for the impossibility of any sure profit for those who insist in speculating in current U. S. But we feel forced to remark that the scene has changed from what it was five years ago when issues of new stamps were confined to a mere twenty-five million, and at that point the issue was done. With the habit of the post office department today to print 'em as long as they can sell 'em, the situation in current U. S. is reminiscent of the chain letter craze. At first everybody was buying chain letters. But soon everybody was selling and there were no buyers. At the rate the speculator is storing away current stamps, we wonder just how long it will take to reach this point.

When that time comes we wonder, too, if Mr. Speculator will get even face as he figured he would "always be able to do." We do not forget that there have been several stamps that have risen rapidly in value a few years after appearing. However, we feel that these are the exceptions and there are facts behind each sudden rise which, when seen, would readily explain the reason for the sudden jump in value. The factors of supply and demand which create stampic values are such fickle feminine personalities that Mr. Speculator must study them devotedly if he hopes to win any success.

We must make it clear, however, that we do not hold with the school that claims a break is imminent in United States stamps. The new collectors which each issue creates is constantly increasing the demand for the early U. S. issues as well as the early 20th century items. All the while the supply of these is growing smaller as fortunate collectors stow them away in their albums.

The unfortunate individual bitten with the speculating bug could do no better, were he well enough financially equipped, to put his money into this class of material. It is a sad commentary on something or other that usually he doesn't have the money needed.

For the purpose of this article it must be made clear that the percentage of collectors from the speculative angle is a lot larger than is generally thought. We believe that 99 and 44/100 of the collectors today have an eye upon the possible value which may accrue to their collections over the price they paid for them.

The man or woman who loves a stamp just because it is a stamp is a rara avis of the scarcest type. While not denying the romantic, interesting and educational angles of philately, we believe the financial side of the collector must be remembered, too. Of course some are more deeply tinged with the dye of speculation than are others.

If you've stretched your powers of endurance almost to the breaking point and have stayed with the article thus far, you're beginning to wonder what it's all about. Here we are: in view of the foregoing facts, that we cannot deny the speculative element in philately and that there is not much hope for a sure profit in the current issues of this country, where should the speculator put his money to insure the most return within a period of ten years? The following four classes of stamps are offered as the best bets from a speculative point of view: 19th century foreign stamps, 20th century foreign stamps, Bureau Prints and U. S. used blocks.

The first of these four classes, 19th century foreign stamps offers a very good field to the speculator. By this division of stamps we do not necessarily mean the classics. We refer rather to that class of stamps which does not catalogue way up beyond the reach of ordinary man. Many of the early German states and other similar issues have been going for a fifth of catalogue or less in the auctions of recent years.

Here is an instance of the fact that the auction price of a stamp does not always represent its true worth. These stamps are worth more than the prices that they have been bringing. Gradually as the U. S. collector becomes less provincial and more world conscious in his collecting activities, there will be a revival of interest in these issues. The hundredth anniversary of the Penny Black is fast rolling around and it may do something to the prices of these companion early issues.

A word of explanation is needed to make clear what is meant by the second class - 20th century foreign stamps. The collector who builds for himself a collection of these stamps with an eye to the possible profit which may be derived from them will surely be successful. Such a collection should contain a strong background of British Colonies and plenty of the so called picture stamps. In the British Colonies avoid the King heads as much as possible.

It is not necessary to procure full sets. If possible get them but do not spend too much money for any one stamp. In the British Colonies do not go above the one shilling values. Get as much variety as you can. Above all avoid the abominable practice of accumulating ten, fifty or a hundred copies of the same stamp.

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Heard and Seen in Washington

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The Oregon Territory Centennial commemorative went to press at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Tuesday, July 7. Officials present included the Postmaster General, Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming and Roy M. North, Deputy Third Assistant Postmaster General.

The stamps are being printed on the rotary presses, from four plates, numbered 21576, 21577, 21578 and 21579.

The new stamp, which is being issued by the Post Office Department in connection with the Oregon Territory Centennial celebration, will be placed on sale for the first time July 14 at the Daniel, Wyoming; Missoula, Montana; Lewiston, Idaho; Astoria, Oregon; and Walla Walla, Washington post offices, and it will be placed on general sale at post offices throughout the nation the following day or as soon thereafter as distribution will permit.

The new stamp is the same size as the current special delivery stamp, arranged horizontally and printed in purple ink. The central design is an outline map of the old Oregon Territory, which today comprises the States of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington and portions of Montana and Wyoming. On this map is depicted the famous old Oregon Trail, and the historic points in each of these states at which the first-day sales are to be conducted are also designated on the outline map. At one side is a covered wagon, on the other side an Indian on horseback.

The Post Office Department is issuing this new stamp in conjunction with the observance this summer of the Centennial Anniversary of the arrival of the first white families in the old Oregon Territory, which now comprises one-seventh of the total area of the United States. They were the families of Reverend Henry H. Spalding and Dr. Marcus Whitman. Reverend Spalding was ac-

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Daniel, Wyoming, is but a few miles from the historic Sweetwater rendezvous at the crest of the Continental Divide where the families of Dr. Whitman and Reverend Spalding paused to offer thanksgiving to the Almighty for having brought them safely this far West. It was at this point also that the two families first entered the old Oregon Territory.

There seems to be some doubt in the minds of many of Linn's great group of readers about what stamps remain for sale at the Philatelic Agency since the Parks were removed. Naturally the regular issue is there, also the current endwise and sidewise coils. The air-mails include the 10c and 15c of the 1926 issue, the 20c of the 1927 issue, the 8c olive green, the current 6c orange, the 25c Trans-Pacific, and the two 16c airmail special delivery stamps, one the all blue and the other the red and blue of February 10 this year. There are three souvenir sheets, the panes of Tipex and the 1c & 3c Chicago imperforate panes of 25. The commemoratives include only the following: Mothers Day rotary, Connecticut, San Diego, Boulder Dam, Michigan, Texas, Rhode Island, Arkansas, and the new Oregon which will be available July 15.

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To the many old time readers of my former column here who have sent me words of greeting, this is to tell you all, many thanks. To the newcomers (new to me, that is), happy, indeed, to hear from you. I shall try to be of service to all. Write me your desires, your ideas and your suggestions, and send me your news.

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Dedication Notes

Elmer Cary says a hangar at Marshall, Mich., was dedicated on June 27 and an Aviation round-up held on the 28th. . . . H. B. Miller states — no dedication contemplated at Lubback, Tex.; no date set for dedication of Bellaire, Mich., airport according to P. M.; Waynesboro, Pa., dedication months off; no prospect of airport at Enterprise, Ala.; no airport dedicated at Ambridge, Pa.; covers returned from Bend, Oreg., no airport contemplated; Beaver, Utah, reported dedicated May 23, 1936 (Anyone seen a cover) . . . Airport dedicated at Decorah, Iowa, on June 28 with a printed cachet in red showing Chief Decorah —a worthwhile cover. Poplarville, Miss., says no dedication contemplated. . . . Garretson, S. D., will dedicate Aug. 16-17-18 and covers to Dr. F. S. Devall, Devall Hospital. . . . 200 covers reported mailed for Ontario, Calif., dedication June 7. Portal, N. D., dedicated June 26 with a typed notation. . . . Who can give us more information about Buffalo airport at St. Cloud, Minn.?

Canadian Flight

On or about July 20, airmail service will be inaugurated between Haileybury, Ont., and Mud Lake, Quebec, in Canada. Two cachets will be applied, Haileybury to Mud Lake and Mud Lake to Haileybury. Covers to District Superintendent of Postal Service, North Bay, Ontario, not later than July 18. Address covers to self "Via Air Mail Mud Lake-Haileybury" or vice versa and prepay same with Canadian postage at the rate of 6c per cover.

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Straight From the Shoulder

A Few Minutes with the Editor

Catalogue at Fault

A collector in Springfield, Vermont, has submitted a photostat copy of an approval sheet of 25 Russian Wrangle surcharges. The approval sheet shows a gross value of over $12.00 and is offered net to the prospective buyer at about 75c. The approval sheet bears the printed inscription that "All stamps are guaranteed genuine."

The collector questions the genuineness of the stamps and inquires from us as to the standing of the dealer who has submitted the stamps.

Along this same line we distinctly remember of a reputable dealer who some few weeks ago advertised something like $100.00 catalog value of Armenian stamps, surcharges on Russian stamps at a price of about $5.00.

Now there are but two ways to look at this situation and the collector has the right to know the truth.

While we can not say that the stamps submitted us were with counterfeit surcharges, it certainly must be presumed that they were such, unless the Scott Catalog is seriously at fault. These stamps have been priced high for some time past. By high, we mean they have been priced at several times what they are offered for in the market.

It is either a case of the catalog being entirely wrong and seriously at fault with these issues or the surcharges are counterfeit.

Who, however is to be the judge as to whether the surcharges are counterfeit or genuine.

We frankly admit that it would be readily possible for most any observing person to find surcharges of these stamps which could be readily detected as counterfeited, but on the other hand, the entire mess is so sloppily done, so poorly executed, that to counterfeit them successfully is a very simple matter and for such a reason the catalog value as placed on these stamps is entirely unjustified.

Collectors can only protect themselves by avoiding them entirely or if they wish to include such stamps in their collections to buy them only with the thought that they are buying counterfeits and buy them at a very small percentage of catalog.

The mere fact that the stamps are offered at such prices after having carried a high catalog valuation for some time past is the best evidence that the bulk of the material in the market must be questionable.

Echo From Tipex

Harry E. Gray, a columnist for an Oakland, California newspaper, tells of his visit to Tipex and here is what he has to say about your editor—

"George Linn, editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, blue penciled many a column of mine long before Linn's Weekly was born, and we have exchanged many a letter during the past twenty years. We sat next to each other a couple of hours around a festive table without discovering who each other were. George has a couple of grandchildren he is mighty proud of. He must have gotten his training in staying up late taking care of them. He is absolutely tireless and has a faculty of knowing his way around and where to find the interesting places. He introduced me to Greenwich Village."

Harry enjoyed the trip to Greenwich Village so much that he airmailed a letter home to Mrs. Gray right away, telling of the sights to be seen and the sloe eyed Spanish Beauties that infest the place. In a few days back comes a letter from

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Don Dickason to Quit Auction Game

Due to other business interests, Donald E. Dickason of Wooster, Ohio, announces that he will retire from the Philatelic Auction Business just so soon as he can clean up the material now in his hands. Don states that it will be necessary to hold several auctions to do this and that all speed will be used in getting the work closed up and all settlements made with owners.

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Oregon Map Stamp

Rumor has it that the design on the Oregon stamp to be issued on July 14th will look somewhat like the pictorial envelopes issued by Linprint for First day cover use. The publishers hope that the envelope does not resemble the stamp too closely for if that were the case, some over zealous postmaster might refuse to pass the envelope as was done with the envelope that Linprint issued for the Parks Stamps because it looked like a postage stamp.

Stamp Club in Cuba

Sr. Rafael R. Garcia who has long been a subscriber to Linn's Weekly writes under date of July 1st and states that a national stamp society has been formed in Cuba. The title is Club Filatelico de la Republica de Cuba. Mr. Garcia is Treasurer of the club and we understand that it is to seek members throughout the entire island.

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RELIGION IN THE STAMPS

CHAPTER XXII

Stamps of the Vatican City

By Harry M. Savacool

In 1933 a 5c stamp was issued in copper red bearing the Papal Arms featuring the Roman Eagle (No. 19). The Tiara, at the very top, shows more plainly in this design. The eagle is surrounded by symbolical pictures, the crossed keys, bunches of grapes and heads of wheat.

Very naturally the portrait of the reigning Pope, Pius XI, has figured prominently on the stamps of Vatican City. On the first issue in 1929 the higher values (No. 8-13) bore a picture of the Pope's head, front view. This same design was issued in 1931 surcharged for the two highest postage dues (No. 505-506). In 1934 the same design was again issued surcharged in a whole series for regular postal use (No. 35-40). The special stamps issued for Parcel Post in 1931 used the stamps of the 1929 issue surcharged "Per Pacchi" (No. 308-313). In 1933 a large rectangular design was used on four values which allowed a much larger and clearer picture (No. 28-31). A large rectangular was also used for the Special Delivery stamps of 1929. The Pope's picture is in an oval at the left end and the inscription at the right end in large letters (No. 201-202). This same design was issued in 1931 surcharged for special delivery parcel post (No. 314-315).

The Pope, Pius XI, whose portrait we see on these stamps, was chosen Pope on February 6, 1922. He was formerly Cardinal Achille Ratti. Pope Pius was born at Milan, May 30, 1857. Most of his religious career was spent in teaching and library work. He was for a time head of the Ambrosiana Library and later of the great Vatican Library. In 1918 he was representative of the Vatican to Poland. In 1922 he was made Archbishop of his home city of Milan and almost immediately elevated to the office of Cardinal. The Pope has won the admiration of all creeds by his broadmindedness, interest in social betterment, and devotion to peace. Perhaps his greatest achievement was the reconciliation with the Italian Government and the establishment of the Vatican State.

In 1933 a picture of the Vatican Palace was placed on four values (No. 21-23). The Palace is made up of several buildings and many courts. There were several buildings on the site in the Middle Ages but most of the Popes actually lived in the Lateran until it was burned. Nicholas V, the great Christain humanist, was the creator of the modern Vatican. He constructed most of the Palace in the 15th century. Sixtus IV added a great deal to it and other Popes have made alterations. The stamps do not give an adequate idea of the splendor and beauty of the Palace.

Four other values of this same issue of 1933 bear a view of the Vatican Gardens with the dome of St. Peter's dominating the background (No. 24-27). These gardens are noted for their beauty. There are many little groves of trees with winding paths kept in rural fashion. Wild flowers, vineries, and even vegetables are cultivated. There are some empty cages in which animals were once kept but they are no longer provided with occupants. The vast increase in business at the Vatican recently has made necessary several new buildings which have encroached upon the gardens.

(Continued next week)

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Country	Cat. No.	Price should be Unused	Used
Dominica Rep.	285	.10	.10
" "	287	.10	.07
" "	288	.25	.26
Falkland Islands	65	.10	
" "	66	.15	
" "	67	.20	
" "	68	.30	
" "	69	.40	
" "	70	.60	
" "	71	.75	
" "	72	1.50	
" "	73	3.50	
" "	74	7.50	
" "	75	12.00	
" "	76	30.00	
Germany	131	.30	.03
"	325	.20	.02
"	326	.30	.02
"	327	.75	.02
"	361	.20	.02
"	362	.20	.02
"	363	.30	.30
"	364	.60	.60
"	365	1.00	1.00
"	366	.06	.02
"	367	.06	.02
"	368	.15	.02
"	369	.35	.02
"	370	.20	.02
"	371	.65	.05
"	372	.45	.02
"	373	.50	.02
"	374	.55	.02
"	375	.60	.02
"	376	.60	.02
"	377	.80	.02
"	378	1.00	.04
"	379	.30	.02
"	380	.50	.02
"	381	1.00	.03
"	387	.12	.02
"	388	.20	.02
"	398	.15	.06
"	399	.30	.05
"	400	1.00	.25
"	413	1.00	.50
"	432	.10	.10
"	433	.10	.06
"	434	.20	.08
"	435	.50	.30
"	436	.10	.03
"	437	.10	.03
"	438	.10	.03
"	439	.15	.03
"	440	.20	.03
"	441	.35	.25
"	442	.10	.03
"	444	.20	.03
"	446	.15	.04
"	447	.30	.04
"	456	.10	.05
"	457	.18	.06
"	458	.40	.20
"	463	.10	.10
"	464	.20	.20
"	465	.10	.03
"	466	.20	.04
"	629	.12	.06
"	630	.15	.06
"	631	.40	.10
"	632	.60	.25
"	633	1.00	.60
"	634	2.25	1.25
"	635	3.25	1.50
"	639	5.00	5.00
"	640	12.00	12.00
"	642	5.00	5.00
"	643	7.50	7.50
"	644	12.50	12.50
"	645	3.75	2.00
"	646	3.00	3.00
"	647	3.00	3.00
"	689	.50	.25
"	690	.75	.50
"	691	2.50	2.50
"	692	5.25	5.25
"	693	.35	.25
"	694	.50	.40
"	695	1.00	1.00
"	696	2.50	2.50
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"	711	.25	.25
"	712	.40	.40
"	713	1.00	1.00
"	714	2.25	2.25
"	715	.30	.30
"	716	.75	.75
"	717	2.00	2.00
"	718	4.00	4.00
"	721	.15	.15
"	722	.18	.18
"	723	.25	.25
"	724	1.25	1.25
"	725	2.00	2.00
"	726	.15	
"	727	.25	
"	728	.30	
"	729	.35	
"	730	.45	
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"	763	.18	
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AUSTRIA—New artisan types. Large square format 34mm., printed in sheets of 25 (5x5), perf. 12½, unwmkd.:

3 Sch.—vermillion
5 Sch.—purple black

(R. Roberts)

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Two of the new stamps heralded in our notes of June 6th, have now appeared. One is the same design as a 50h., chronicled a year ago and therefore is given Scott's type number. Line engraved, panes of 100 (10x10) perf. 12½:

50h. green (Dr. Ed. Benesch)
A58—60h. purple (General Milan Stefanik)

(R. Roberts)

ERITREA—Air Post Stamp. Design shows a plane flying over a modern bridge:

1L. deep blue

(Joseph Meinardi)

GERMANY—Public Utility Congress. Photogravure printing, transverse format 27 x 23mm., wmkd. swastika, perf. 14:

3pf. deep brown
5pf. deep green
12pf. bright claret
25pf. deep blue

(R. Roberts)

GUATEMALA—An order for the following new stamps has been placed with Messrs. Enschede & Sons of Netherlands. The quantity ordered is noted after each. The design of the 5c. is new and is being prepared by Carl Marckwordt:

½c.—Lake Atitlan (2,500,000)
5c.—Map (1,000,000)

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

INDIA—Bhopal. The under-noted provisional (chronicled by us May 23rd) has appeared with the additional overprint in black "SERVICE":

3p. on ½a. yellow green

(R. Roberts)

At this writing we do not know if the error of "Theee Pies" will also appear on this stamp. We would appreciate learning if it does, so we may note same.

ITALIAN SOMALILAND—Air Post Stamp. Design shows a young native looking at a plane in the sky:

1L. deep blue

(Joseph Meinardi)

ITALY—Parcel Post Stamp. Color change.

PP2—1L. claret

(Joseph Meinardi)

MAURITIUS—New duty plate. Mr. C. P. Rang, in Gibbons' latest Stamp Monthly reports that the discovery of a new duty plate in the 25c. of Straits Settlements last Fall, caused the same discovery to be made recently on the 12c. gray of this Colony. The main differences are as follows:

(a) The individual letters of "Maritius" are thinner and larger. Legs of "A" are more spread out and "R" has larger loop.
(b) The figure "2" of the value is at once noticeable by the extremities of the downstroke and the tail, which are pointed instead of being cut off square. The downstroke is much thinner where it joins the tail.
(c) The letter "C" is thinner, larger and further away from the tail of the "2."

Mr. Rang states that he has seen a copy with the postmark Nov. 18, 1935, which means that it has been available at least for six months.

PERU—A complete set of ordinary Air Post stamps is in preparation, values and quantities are as follows: 5c.—(750,000); 15c.—(400,000); 20c.—(400,000); 30c.—(150,000); 35c.—(200,000); 50c.—(200,000); 70c.—(50,000); 80c.—(50,000); 1s.—(100,000); 1.50s.—(50,000); 2s.—(50,000); 5s.—(50,000); and 10s.—(10,000).

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

ROUMANIA—Whitfield, King & Co., report that they have seen four Aviation Fund stamps in the same design as previous issue, but instead of being inscribed "Timbrul Aviatiei," they are inscribed "Fondul Aviatiei." The values and colors are:

10b. brown
20b. violet
3L. green
5L. carmine

SYRIA—20,000 sets were printed of the Damascus Fair stamps, noted by us in our issue of June 6th.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

National Philatelic Week

Last year this week was proposed and sponsored by the Gateway Philatelic Society of Chicago. The event this year is to be sponsored by a federation of stamp clubs in Chicago. The week is set for November 16 to 21st.

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Hagerstown, Md., No. 71 1c ord.
—Dr. W. I. Mitchell.

DUNSMUIR CALIF.

Frank B. Howe of Los Angeles writes me concerning this interesting and scarce buro print. Mr. Howe took the trouble to investigate the circumstances connected with the withdrawal of the stamp and this is what he learned from the Postmaster at Dunsmuir. Here is the PM's own statement.

"On November 1st, 1934, we returned 492,550 of the 1c Bureau precancels to the Department.

"Our sales of the item amounted to 17,450 stamps which were purchased by Purity Stores Ltd., for mailing circulars. At that time they had reduced their purchases to such an extent that it was not a good policy to keep such a large amount of stamps on hand and still protect them. We do not believe that there ever will be a re-order of these stamps as there are not enough business concerns in this city to warrant it."

From this we gather that about 510,000 stamps were shipped in the first and only order to Dunsmuir. Assuming that about 17,500 were used on circulars there would be but a very small per cent saved, but there is reason to believe that some few got out that saw no circular service. If this is not true, from whence came the few blocks in existence?

DT vs. DC

Dt, design touched by perfs and Dc, design cut by perfs. Quoting Al Jones in the July issue of the Midwest Precancel News. Do you think he is right?

"I think a stamp in which the perforations barely touch the design is at least 50% more desirable than one in which the perforations cut into the design. My idea would be that a dt stamp is worth about 60% of catalog while one dc should sell at about 40% of catalog. What do you think about it?"

A SERVICE

R. S. Businga 1315 Van Wie Ave., Rockford Ill., says he will furnish collectors the city type coils mentioned a few weeks back, at face plus return postage. I know Mr. Businga will do as he says as he furnished collectors the Rockford buro on the same basis when it came out. The city type coils in use are the 1, 1½, FV, 2, 3 Stu. and 6c. I suggest that you use a nice commemorative on your letter if you write to Mr. Businga.

Texas — Paris Flight

A circular with further and more complete announcements about the flight to be made from the Texas Centennial to Paris is at hand. The date is set for July 18, and due to the short time, we will not attempt to give further details.

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Broadway Chatter

By Bi Stander

Today up betimes and soon to my stamps but the booming of cannons the crack of firecrackers, the whistling of other fireworks anguished my ears for it is the fourth of July, and soon stamps were put away for the noise was too much for us and then to the beach.

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We often thought that we would like to get in a specially built automobile trailer and go throughout the land picking up stamps, but we never came to it and now there is a Phila-Mobile the first traveling stamp shop on wheels, operated by the Garden City Stamp Agency, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois, originally mentioned in the advertising columns of "Linn's." What would be sweeter than to stop at each postoffice on the long trip and pick up some 1847 U. S. in sheets at face in some postoffice in the woods.

John J. Kiely who was postmaster of New York City from 1925 to 1934 recently quit the postal service on his seventieth birthday after being in the postoffice for 50 years, 10 months and 27 days. He worked his way up from junior clerk, having been appointed on August 3, 1885.

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We think that "Toonerville Folks" by "Fontaine Fox" is one of the finest cartoons now being published. This week, Fox had one showing one of his characters coming home all "lit" up and one of the neighbors explains over the back fence that "he hasn't been home since the day he went up to the Post Office to cash his bonus bonds!" All the neighbors were watching the "souse" as his wife was a welcoming committee grasping a golf club ready to chastise the "bonuser."

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A letter writer to the New York Sun asks "Do you suppose that when Mr. Landon is President, we can have a stamp issued to honor our dear Mr. Coolidge?"

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Now that the U. S. Parks issue is out of the Philatelic Agency, there is a gnashing of teeth from those who said "Oh, we'll wait until we think they will be about out and then buy our requirements."

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The Four Best Bets

(Continued from page 759)

Many collectors follow this plan and then, when they go to sell, find that it's not so good an idea. Your friend, the dealer, handles his business on a rapid turnover basis, if he is any kind of a business man. If he wants your stamps he's liable to offer you more for the first ten copies of them because he believes that he has an immediate market.

He will offer you less for the next ten and so on until you will find for the last ten you receive very little compared with what you got for the first ten. From the dealers point of view it is this that makes his living so precarious a one. That in buying a collection he must buy so much material that he will have to hold for a long time in order to obtain a few saleable items. So avoid the dangerous pitfall of buying too many copies of the same stamp.

But to return to our original discussion, the growing interest in 20th century foreign stamps cannot be denied. A dealer in Pittsburgh claims that he can sell stamps of the type described as fast as he gets them. Just how far this interest will go no one can tell. But ten years from now the person who has built his collection around these issues should be in a position to harvest a nice profit as a result of his collecting activities.

The third class in this discussion should evoke a loud and prolonged howl of protest from the cash customers. But nevertheless the once despised and lowly precancel, rejected of stamp collectors, is gradually and slowly pushing its way into a position of prominence. The juggernaut of precancels is moving on to recognition.

Although we collect precancels personally we do not wish this part of this paper to be considered as an apology for these fascinating bits of postal history. We feel that we must record the facts as we see them.

It is a matter of interest that practically every precancel collector is or has been a regular U. S. collector. The rising flood of U. S. prices has forced him to curtail or abandon his U. S. collecting activities. He turns to precancels as a means of continuing those activities. Where there was one precancel collector ten years ago, there are ten today. That the swing to precancels may continue for ten more years, seems to be possible in view of the current market prices for U. S.

In the line of precancels, Bureau Prints would seem to offer the best investment to the speculator. A few types easily recognizable and readily mastered plus definitely known quantities issued plus standardization (no freaks or favors) makes this position tenable.

Indeed the prices have already begun to soar. The last issue of the Bureau Print catalogue showed a hundred percent increase in some of the older types, in fact practically all of them. There are not enough of these to go around and it would pay to get them now before they mount out of reach. Ten years from now we believe the prices will be even higher.

The fourth and last field of interest for the speculator as considered in this article is the used block. A few years ago there was quite a racket in these with many beautiful lightly canceled blocks available. Rather than hurting this class the racket, which fortunately died a sudden death at the hands of a government investigation, should help.

The product of the racket is always easily recognized by anyone who has once seen one. Hence legitimate postally used blocks should be in demand.

In the current craze for mint blocks, plate number blocks and position blocks, the used block seems to have been neglected. Most dealers will willingly break an unused block in order to sell a single stamp as after all a mint block is four single stamps. But a used block represents postal history. It is very seldom you will find a dealer willing to tear apart one of these to sell a single stamp from it.

Used U. S. blocks are none too plentiful upon the market (we are referring, of course, to those legitimately used). We advise to secure them as you can.

So ends our discussion. We do not doubt that we have covered the field for speculation completely. But we do believe that the classes mentioned have the best possibilities for a speculator who desires a return for his money within a period of ten years and wants to dabble outside of U. S. stamps.

We have not named any individual stamps. We hope to be around for the next ten years and don't want to have to eat our words.

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In addition to her work in behalf of woman suffrage, Miss Anthony was a leader in every movement which had to do with equal rights for women in the affairs of the country.

In recognition of womens' share in the development of this country and their social and economic responsibilities in our national life, the Post Office Department is issuing this commemorative stamp. The new stamp, which will be of the three-cent denomination, will bear as the central motif of its design a portrait of Miss Anthony. The place of first-day sale will be announced at a later date.

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